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EXAMINER:

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MENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 21, 1998, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend Claims 1 to 11 to read as follows:

1. (twice amended) A [carboxylic acid derivative] compound of the formula

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